

**MINUTES OF THE
INFRASTRUCTURE AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE**

Friday , January 26, 2018 • 8:00 a.m. • 445 State Capitol

Members Present:

Sen. Wayne A. Harper, Senate Chair
Rep. Gage Froerer, House Chair
Rep. Walt Brooks, House Vice Chair
Sen. J. Stuart Adams
Sen. Jacob L. Anderegg
Sen. David G. Buxton
Sen. Lyle W. Hillyard
Sen. David P. Hinkins
Sen. Karen Mayne
Rep. Craig Hall
Rep. A. Cory Maloy
Rep. Michael K. McKell

Rep. Merrill F. Nelson
Rep. Dixon M. Pitcher
Rep. Marie H. Poulson

Members Absent:

Rep. Lynn N. Hemingway
Rep. John Knotwell
Rep. Mike Schultz

Staff Present:

Mr. Steve Benard, Committee Secretary
Mr. Ryan A. Mortenson, Staff Economist
Mr. Brian Wikle, Fiscal Analyst

Note: A copy of related materials and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at www.le.utah.gov.

1 . Call to Order

Brian Wikle explained the split between funding ratios that were mentioned in the last meeting, and he also explained Capitol improvements.

Ryan Mortenson introduced Department of Administrative Services executives for a presentation.

Ms. Tani Downing, Executive Director of the Department of Administrative Services, introduced the following people from DAS to make a presentation to the Committee: Ken Williams, Director of Archives and Record Services, Christopher Hughes, Director of the Division of Purchasing and General Services, Jim Russell, Director of the Division of Facilities Construction and Maintenance, and Michelle Brown, Coordinator of Resource Stewardship.

Ken Hansen, Deputy Director of DAS, explained various reallocations of funds

Sen Harper asked a question regarding state mail, and Mr. Hansen responded.

Rep. Froerer asked a question about administrative fees on the cooperative contracts program, and Mr. Hansen explained.

Ms. Marilee Richins, Deputy Director of DAS, gave a presentation regarding performance measures, facilities maintenance, construction, purchasing, and various metrics.

Sen. Mayne commented on employee retention metrics and Ms Richins followed up with training explanations.

Ms. Downing commented on the work environment and compensation for retention of employees.

Ms Richins continued her presentation on evolution of services and process improvement.

Ms Downing concluded with comments on the agency's core mission.

MOTION: House Vice Chair Brooks moved to approve the minutes for the Jan 24, 2018 meeting. The motion passed with a vote of 13 - 0 - 5 .

Yeas-13

Sen. J. Adams
Sen. J. Anderegg
Rep. W. Brooks
Rep. G. Froerer
Rep. C. Hall
Sen. W. Harper
Sen. L. Hillyard
Sen. D. Hinkins
Sen. K. Mayne
Rep. M. McKell
Rep. M. Nelson
Rep. D. Pitcher
Rep. M. Poulson

Nays-0

Absent-5

Sen. D. Buxton
Rep. L. Hemingway
Rep. J. Knotwell
Rep. A. Maloy
Rep. M. Schultz

Brian Wikle talked about a few items referenced in a previous meeting, intent language, and buildings that were changed in value. He also explained other items and committee website documents that would need to be approved by the Committee.

Mr. Carlos Braceras, Utah Department of Transportation, gave an explanation of an online presentation of the department. He was assisted by Shane Marshall, Deputy Director of UDOT, and Becky Bradshaw, Executive Financial Officer of UDOT.

Sen Hillyard asked a question regarding the metrics used by UDOT for fatalities. Mr. Marshall and Mr. Braceras answered.

Sen Adams asked a question regarding the fatality metric, and Mr. Braceras answered his question.

Rep. Maloy asked a question regarding fatality metrics, and Mr. Braceras answered.

Sen. Adams asked for the link to the presentation on the UDOT website, and Mr. Braceras provided it. Mr. Marshall then continued with the online presentation.

Sen. Adams referenced some of the statistics in the presentation and the need for driver awareness.

Mr. Marshall continued his explanation of data in the presentation.

Sen. Hillyard made a comment on design factors that influence accidents.

Rep Froerer asked about the availability of these tools to the public.

Sen Hinkins asked a question about the gas tax. Mr. Braceras replied that Sen. Harper is an expert on this subject.

Sen Adams asked an additional follow-up question. Mr. Braceras responded.

Rep Hall asked a question about HOV lanes. Mr. Braceras responded.

Ms Becky Bradshaw, UDOT Finance Director, explained the Transportation Investment Fund. Mr. Braceras and Mr. Marshall continued their presentation and TIF projects.

Mr. Marshall explained UDOT tactical measures. Mr. Braceras explained FY2018 budget requests.

Sen. Hillyard asked a budget-related question and Mr. Braceras explained.

Sen Hinkins asked a question regarding existing properties. Mr. Braceras responded.

Sen. Harper spoke about existing properties owned by UDOT. Rep Froerer also commented on that process.

Mr. Braceras and Mr. Marshall explained emerging trends in transportation.

Sen. Mayne asked about interactivity between different departments. Mr. Braceras responded.

Sen. Hinkins asked about the status of a project in Porterville.

Rep Hall expressed gratitude to UDOT employees during winter storms and on Christmas.

2 . Division of Aeronautics

Mr. Braceras introduced Jason Davis, Director of Operations, and Jared Esselman, Director of Aeronautics of the UDOT Aeronautics Division. They presented an update on UDOT Aeronautics.

Rep. Maloy asked if there is a cost per flight hour. Mr. Esselman explained that cost.

Sen Buxton asked some questions about charges and operating costs.

Rep. Nelson asked for explanation of why UDOT owns airplanes rather than leasing them. Mr. Esselman explained the reasons.

Sen. Hillyard asked a question regarding gasoline and airplane taxes, and Mr. Braceras explained them.

Sen. Harper asked a question regarding fleet efficiencies and aircraft. Mr. Braceras explained the nature of the policy decision.

Sen. Buxton commented on the necessity of having aircraft owned by the State and the cost savings.

MOTION: Rep. Maloy moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0 - 13 .

Yeas-5

Rep. W. Brooks
Sen. D. Buxton
Sen. W. Harper
Rep. A. Maloy
Rep. M. Nelson

Nays-0

Absent-13

Sen. J. Adams
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Senate Chair Harper adjourned the meeting.